

INCIDENT CREATES GREAT SENSATION

British Papers Express Amazement At the 'Brusque' Manner In Which Washington Treats Subject and See In Attitude Veiled Warning That Borders On An Ultimatum

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)

LONDON, December 30.—The receipt of the note from the American state department, in which a peremptory protest is made against the interference of the British fleet with the carrying on of American foreign trade, and in which a demand is made for an early improvement in the situation, has come to the British public as a complete surprise.

The tone of the note is so radically different from what the various despatches from America had led the public to believe that difficulty is being experienced in grasping exactly what grounds for objection the American government has found upon which to base its communication.

INCIDENT CREATES GREAT SENSATION IN LONDON

The incident is regarded here by many as one of the most important occurrences of the war to date, and nothing in the relations between the British and the American governments has created so great a sensation since the receipt of the famous note from President Cleveland regarding the Venezuela claims, which note was couched almost in the terms of an ultimatum. The public feels that the sending of this note will result in friction between the governments, if not an unfriendliness.

The British papers yesterday gave the text of the note the most prominent place in their columns, and the news of the German and Austrian defeats in Poland and the developments in France and Belgium was made secondary.

EDITORS ARE AMAZED AT 'BRUSQUE' NOTE

A general expression of amazement is the attitude editorially taken, the editors having difficulty in reconciling the previous attitude of the American government, press and public with the unusually brusque text of the note and the scarcely veiled warning contained therein.

While professing amazement, the leading newspapers agree that the American protest should be met in the same friendly spirit in which it has been presented.

BRITISH PEOPLE MUST PROTECT INTERESTS

The Times, editorially, says that the British realize the inconvenience and the loss occasioned to America by the holding of American cargoes for search, but the British people are also confident that President Wilson and the members of his cabinet are sensible to the imperious requirements of the military situation and appreciative of the necessity under which Great Britain labors of protecting herself by preventing the enemy from strengthening himself through the purchase abroad of munitions of war or of materials which may be used for military purposes.

IMMENSE CARGOES OF BEEF ARE SEIZED

CHICAGO, December 30.—Within the past six weeks twelve Norwegian and Danish ships, carrying meat shipments from packers here, which are valued at more than \$5,000,000, have been seized by British warships.

They have been taken to English ports and the cargoes declared conditional contraband.

The packing companies which have suffered these heavy losses have made protests against the seizures as being illegal, and have entered claims for the amounts of their losses.

They declare nothing whatever has been done in the matter by the British government.

WASHINGTON, December 29.—Discussing the American note to Great Britain insisting upon an early improvement in the treatment of American ships by British warships, President Wilson said today that Great Britain must eventually pay large damages for the unlawful detention of American cargoes. He is firmly convinced that the American position is correct because it is identical with Britain's own position in previous wars.

AMERICAN CITIZENS REPEL MEXICAN MOB

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)

SAN ANTONIO, December 30.—Fifty American citizens repelled the attack of a mob of 150 Mexicans at Oakville, in Live Oak County, yesterday, when an attempt was made to liberate a condemned Mexican murderer from jail.

HOBSON UNDISMAYED STILL FIGHTS LIQUOR

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)

WASHINGTON, December 30.—Representative Hobson, whose joint resolution calling for a constitutional amendment providing for national prohibition was lost in the house last week, yesterday reintroduced his resolution.

LIQUOR LAWS MUST BE ENFORCED IN SALEM

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)

SALEM, Massachusetts, December 30.—Mayor John Hurley was yesterday recalled as the result of a special election, at which his successor was also elected. The new mayor is Matthias O'Keefe, a manufacturer. The opposition to Hurley arose over his alleged failure to enforce the liquor laws, the operation of the recall against him being the first time such a law has been called into operation in New England.

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Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. All druggists refund the money if it fails to cure. E. W. Grove's signature is on each box. PARKER & BROS., CO., St. Louis, U.S.A.

ROADBUILDING IS IMPORTANT TOPIC

What Shall Pavements Be? Ask Mayor-elect and Incoming Supervisors

(From Wednesday Advertiser.)

In the next few days the incoming board of supervisors is expected to decide upon a permanent pavement which will be used throughout the next two years by the county in its road building.

With Robert Horner back from California advocating the use of a sheet asphalt, which he says can be laid foundation and all for \$1.50 a square yard, and with Ben Hollinger back from the same State strongly in favor of bitulithic, and with James Quinn, chairman of the roads committee, boosting for brick roads, the task of the supervisors-elect deciding upon one kind of pavement presents its possibilities of trouble.

That only permanent pavement should be put down is agreed upon by the incoming board. The only question is what kind or type of the so-called permanent pavement should be used. There are a dozen kinds, the cost of which ranged from one to three dollars and a half a square yard.

The following are rough figures on the cost of several kinds of permanent pavements, including blocks and bricks, which the board has before it:

Asphalt macadam	\$1.00
Lava stone blocks	2.25
Ohio blocks	3.00
Crested blocks	3.25
Warrenton	1.40
Bitulithic	1.50
Portland cement	1.75
Asphalt concrete	2.00
Bricks	3.50

To take this into added sheet asphalt, which Horner advocates, he maintains that this pavement can be put down at a total cost of \$1.50 a square yard.

"I have the receipt for it," he said yesterday. "It has a six-inch foundation, a two-inch binder and one and one-half inches of sheet asphalt. It makes a pavement durable for years. It is regarded as the best pavement in California."

Figures on the cost of road building are not hard and fast, unvarying. As Engineer J. M. Whitehouse explained yesterday:

"It would cost far less on some roads than on others to put down a permanent pavement. It depends to some extent on the grade work to be done, and in some cases a road only needs a surfacing."

If the board is to enforce the direct frontage tax statutes it cannot expect to decide on one pavement and use it to the exclusion of all others as the statutes give the property owners the right to specify the type of pavement desired for the streets in their improvement districts.

The board can, however, recommend a pavement, and use it where no other one is specified by the property owners, or where improvements are not being made under the frontage tax statutes. Roads is the big topic before the supervisors-elect now. Every caucus means a discussion on this big subject, and it is said Mayor-elect Lane's message or inaugural address will deal at length with his policy on roads.

BRITON UNDERWRITERS PROFIT THROUGH WAR

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)

LONDON, December 30.—The War Risk Insurance Association, organized to handle war insurance, has made a huge profit during the first four months of the war, according to the report just issued. This report shows that the marine losses have been 1.40 per cent of the value of the vessels insured and 1.1 per cent of the value of the cargoes insured.

May Prove Fatal

When Will Honolulu People Learn the Importance of It?

Backache is only a simple thing at first. But if you find 'tis from the kidneys; That serious kidney troubles may follow.

That droopy or Bright's Disease may be the fatal end. You will be glad to know the following experience.

'Tis the honest statement of a sufferer who has been cured. Mrs. William H. Brown, 420 First Ave., E. Waterloo, Salt Lake City, Utah, says: "Beginning nearly eleven years ago, kidney trouble crept on me until a year ago I got real bad, and was but a shadow of myself. I had dropsy and bloated all over. I was nervous and irritable and found it impossible to rest. Backache nearly drove me mad. I used everything, including home remedies, without any relief. I finally began taking Doan's Backache Kidney Pills steadily until I was a well woman and without a sign of the trouble."

Doan's Backache Kidney Pills are sold by all druggists and storekeepers at 50 cents per box (six boxes \$2.50) or will be mailed on receipt of price by the Hollister Drug Co., Honolulu, wholesale agents for the Hawaiian Islands. Remember the name, Doan's, and take no substitute.

HARBOR BOARD IS FOR REMOVAL OF KAKAOKO RANGE

'Only Matter of Time When Some One Will Be Injured Or Killed'

GOVERNOR IS ASKED TO HAVE BUTTS RELOCATED

Harbormaster Foster Fully Cleared of Blame Over Hitting of 'Kiyo Maru'

(From Wednesday Advertiser.)

"We recommend that a copy of this report be sent to the Honorable L. B. Pinkham, Governor of the Territory of Hawaii, respectfully recommending that he take such steps as may be necessary to cause the removal of the said Kakaoko rifle range from its present location."

This is the recommendation and conclusion arrived at by Commissioners T. M. Cahill and James Wakefield, appointed as a committee of the harbor board to investigate the recent episode of the hitting of the Japanese steamer Kiyo Maru by rifle bullets, said to have been fired at the Kakaoko rifle range by members of the National Guard of Hawaii, while the vessel was anchored outside of the Harbor of Honolulu. The report of the committee as well as that presented by Chairman Charles R. Forbes were approved by the board at its meeting, held yesterday morning.

The committee findings are as follows: "The findings of the committee are as follows: "The anchorage ground off Honolulu harbor in line with the firing at the rifle range at Kakaoko is not under the control of the harbor board but is under the control of the United States authorities."

"The anchorage ground off the Honolulu harbor as appearing on the Coast and Geodetic Hydrographic Charts is within direct line of target firing at the National Guard Kakaoko range or within the danger zone of rifle shot."

"That the S. S. 'Kiyo Maru' arrived off port about midnight Saturday, November 14, and was anchored by her master and not by the harbor master and that she was anchored as far from the direct line of firing as possible without interfering with the channel or harbor entrance."

"That the S. S. 'Kiyo Maru' was evidently hit a number of times by rifle shot fired from the rifle range."

"It is obvious that rifle firing at the Kakaoko range is dangerous to life and shipping property."

"We attach to and make a part of this report a letter from the chairman of the board, Mr. Charles R. Forbes, dated December 21 and addressed to the board of harbor commissioners."

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Chairman Forbes Explains. In his communication to the board, Chairman Forbes discusses the rifle range subject at some length and he too, is of the opinion that the range should be removed, "as it is only a matter of time when some one will be injured or killed." In part Mr. Forbes says:

"To limit the losses we have assumed that a man at the right hand end of the pits may at times shoot at the left hand end and similarly the man at the left of the pit may shoot at the right hand target, these two diverging lines form the danger zone. The azimuths were obtained by needle readings with the variations correction and may be assumed to be as correct as this method permits. A man may shoot from a position further to the extreme right and left of the pits and thus widen the zone, or a man may shoot without proper wind correction on his rear site, or he may miss entirely the target and thus shoot outside of the plotted areas."

How Bullets Ricochet

Should the bullets stay within these danger zones, it might be possible to safeguard the shipping in a way. However, this is not the case. The projectile from the modern rifle traveling with a muzzle velocity of some 2700 feet per second and having a rapid revolution clockwise, ricochets at a wide angle to the right and is informed that on perfectly smooth water this ricochet at 45 to the line of the target makes the danger zone on smooth water is 2000 yards. With waves running in a northwest direction the angle of ricochet may be larger.

Some More Ricochet Dope

"It is impossible to plot absolutely correct the danger zones of the ricochet shot. The first ricochet takes place where the bullet first impinges against the water and this point varies with the height of the bullet as it goes through the target and will be also changed by a man lying or standing at the rifle pits. We have assumed a 4-1 line 1000 yards from the target and have plotted the ricochet areas the width of a circle with 1000-yard radius."

"It will be noticed that the Kiyo Maru, whose location is plotted by Captain Foster, lies in both ricochet danger zones and very close to the direct danger zones from the 500-yard butts. Aboish Danger Zone. (So after all it is argued, the fact remains that the vessel was hit by bullets and that other vessels and smaller craft have been under fire from this range, and this fact is conclusive evidence that danger exists and that the rifle range should be abolished, as it is only

THIRTEEN LAND PATENTS ISSUED

Governor Pinkham Approves Grants To Homesteaders In Various Parts of Territory

(From Wednesday Advertiser.)

Thirteen land patent grants were approved yesterday by Governor Pinkham, and signed by him and Land Commissioner Joshua D. Tucker, for homestead lots and small parcels of land in various parts of the Territory. The patents, the consecutive registered number being given, were as follows:

6263—To Hans Kuwawana, lot 71 in Kalaheo, Kauai, 13.44 acres, for \$125.
6264—To the Board of the Hawaiian Evangelical Association, lot in Waialeale, Hawaii, 46,965 square feet, for \$5.
6265—To Henry Keahi Kealahou, lot in Pulea, Koloa, North Kohala, Hawaii, 8 acres, for \$50.
6266—To Robert Hind, lot in Pua-ua, Hawaii, North Kohala, Hawaii, 3 acres, for \$75.

6267—To the Hawaiian Agricultural Company, lots A, B and C, Wood Valley, Kalaheo, Kauai, Hawaii, 13.44 acres, for \$101.
6268—To the Hani Mill and Plantation Company, lot in Hukia, North Kohala, Hawaii, 3 acres, for \$121.
6269—To Manuel A. Goetz, lot in Kalaheo, Honolulu, 1767 square feet, for \$151.

6270—To Jose da Costa, lot in Kalaheo, Honolulu, 16,880 square feet, for \$510.
6271—To Joseph F. Smith, trustee, in trust for the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints, lot in Awaolu, Honolulu, 3970 square feet, for \$1900.
6272—To Kalohe Kapele, lot in Kalaheo, North Kohala, Hawaii, 21.81 acres, for \$65.

6273—To Annie Napunahoe Jr., lot in Kalaheo, North Kohala, Hawaii, 13.01 acres, for \$39.
6274—To Elena Kaomi, lot in Kalaheo, North Kohala, Hawaii, 26.17 acres, for \$75.
6275—To Mary F. Matheche, lot in Kalaheo-Kona, Kauai, Hawaii, 42.50 acres, for \$106.

PAN-AMERICAN PLAN FOR BUSINESS UNITY

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)

WASHINGTON, December 30.—Plans are now being worked out by the government to bring the United States and the Central and South American countries into closer relationship with the idea of bettering commercial unity. Invitations have been sent out to all the other American countries to send representatives to a conference to be held in this country, at which this government will be represented by officials of the treasury department and by prominent American financiers. Several acceptances have already been received.

NORTH CAROLINA DID NOT GET BELLIGERENT

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)

WASHINGTON, December 30.—Captain Joseph W. Oms, commanding the U. S. cruiser North Carolina, at Beirut, Asia Minor, has reported to the navy department that it was the Russian cruiser Albatross and not the North Carolina which threatened to bombard Tripoli and effect the safe passage of 500 refugees to Alexandria.

CARRANZA LEADERS REPORT VICTORIES

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)

VERA CRUZ, December 30.—An official report from the Carranza headquarters here says that yesterday 4000 Carranzistas defeated an army of 5000 commanded by General Estanislao Zepeda, a brother of Emilio Zapata, at Tepic. The Carranza forces also claim the capture of Chihuahuita, and say that fighting has begun at Amozoc.

MOLOKAI RANCHMAN WEDS HONOLULU BRIDE

Edward McCortison and Miss Mary Campbell were married in the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Luns, 1114 Lanika street, by Reverend Father Stephens yesterday afternoon. The newly wedded couple left in the steamer Mikanala at five o'clock last night for Molokai, where they will make their future home. Mr. McCortison was formerly a resident of Honolulu, but removed some time ago to Molokai, where he is conducting a cattle ranch which has been in the possession of the McCortison family for many years past.

a matter of time when some one will be injured or killed. The board of harbor commissioners should take immediate action in the abolishment of this rifle range, and recommend to the Governor that a more suitable and safe place for the establishment of a rifle range for the National Guard be located elsewhere."

TEUTONS SUSTAIN APPALLING LOSSES

Official Despatches From Petrograd Announce Utter Failure of Kaiser's Campaign In Poland and Decisive Defeat of the Monster Austro-Hungarian Main Army In Galicia

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)

LONDON, December 30.—Official despatches sent from Petrograd state that the fighting in Northern Poland is slackening, indicating that the frontal attacks of the army of von Hindenburg against the Russian lines before Warsaw have been checked and that the third onslaught of the Germans against the Russian center has failed of its main purpose.

In Southern Poland, from Czenstochowa to the Pilica River, some successes for the Russians are reported, the northern line against Cracow being drawn a little closer.

SLAUGHTER OF GERMANS AND AUSTRIANS APPALLING. Despatches to the Post from Petrograd say that the attacks of the Germans in Poland have resulted in ceaseless slaughter and that the Germans have sustained appalling losses in the prolonged and desperate effort to break up the Russian campaign.

The German losses are reported to be one-eighth of their total forces, in killed alone.

These advices say that the condition of the Austrians is still more hopeless.

DEFEAT OF AUSTRO-HUNGARIANS IS DECISIVE

All despatches from the eastern theater of the war indicate that the defeat of the Austrian main army in Galicia is complete and decisive, the Austro-Hungarians being as badly demoralized in the recent fighting in the Galician campaign as they were in their Serbian campaign.

They are now being harried out of Galicia in almost the same manner as they were forced to retreat precipitously from Serbian territory, losing prisoners, guns and supplies in huge quantities.

RUSSIANS HOURLY ADDING TO CAPTURES

The Russians are hourly adding to their captures; the total of prisoners taken up to last night in the recent fighting being 11,000.

The number of guns taken is very large, while the main supply trains and depots have all fallen into Russian hands.

The early reports yesterday from Petrograd announced that the Austrian defeat, previously announced, had developed into a rout.

BROKEN ARMY STREAMING BACK INTO HUNGARY

The broken army of 175,000 men is streaming back into Hungary through the Dukla pass, with the Russians hanging on to the rear, the nature of the country prohibiting any attempts to head off or flank the beaten troops.

In the retreat the Austro-Hungarians had lost then two hundred officers, fifteen thousand men and forty machine guns.

SLOW MOVEMENT ON CRACOW RESUMED

Following the failure of the Austro-Germans to break the Russian left in Galicia, the movement towards Cracow, which had been diverted to await the outcome of the fighting in the south, was resumed.

PARIS, December 30.—Despatches from Cottinje by Havas Agency report that the Austrian army in the region of Grahova has been defeated with heavy loss by the Montenegrins, who repeatedly repulsed the Austrian attacks.

BERLIN AND PARIS BOTH REPORT GAINS

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)

LONDON, December 30.—Official German and French reports yesterday were contradictory. The French claim to have occupied the village of St. Georges, two miles from Neuport, while the German reports last night claimed gains near Neuport. Heavy fighting is in progress between Argonne and the heights of the Meuse, and the French announcements claim gains in this region, and some progress in Alsace.

FRENCH CAPTURE HALF-MILE OF TRENCHES

A dispatch from Arras, dated Sunday, and delayed in transmission, says: "The French today attacked the Germans on a twelve-mile front and captured half a mile of trenches. A violent bombardment preceded the daylight charge. The actual infantry engagement lasted but twenty minutes."

The official announcement from Paris yesterday claims that: "We have occupied St. Georges, around which hard fighting has been taking place for some time."

"West of Apremont we have reconquered some lost trenches after three attacks. In the forest of Argonne we continue to make slight gains."

"In Alsace we have closely invested Stenbach."

BERLIN REPORTS TEUTONS GAINING GROUND

Berlin reported officially yesterday: "Near Neuport and southeast of Ypres the Germans have gained some ground in relatively unimportant engagements and west of Apremont have captured one fortified French trench."

ITALY'S ALBANIA POLICY IRRITATING TO AUSTRIA

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)

VENICE, December 30.—It was stated here yesterday upon reliable authority that the Austrian government is greatly irritated over Italy's action in suddenly occupying Avlona, Albania. It is considered likely that this move has possibly disturbed plans attributed to Count von Buclow's mission to Rome. It is reported that Germany made an offer of a free hand in southern Albania to Italy upon Italy's agreeing to certain conditions. If this report is correct the cause of Vienna's irritation at the independent action of Italy is easily understood.

RUSSIA BARS LIQUOR THROUGHOUT EMPIRE

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)

PETROGRAD, December 30.—All alcoholic liquors, including beer and light wines, have been barred throughout Russia, according to an order just issued. This applies even to first-class restaurants and clubs.

DON'T RISK PNEUMONIA

Get rid of every cold as quickly as possible. It is the forerunner of all pulmonary trouble, and pneumonia may develop in a few hours. Take Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. It is a simple thing to do, but the effect is marvelous. For sale by all dealers, Bauson, Smith & Co., Ltd., agents for Hawaii.